

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
for the

\_\_\_\_\_ District of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff )  
v. )  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant )  
\_\_\_\_\_  
)

) Civil Action No.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
)

**Summons in a Civil Action**

To: (*Defendant's name and address*)

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within \_\_\_\_ days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are:

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

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Name of clerk of court

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Deputy clerk's signature

(Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States allowed 60 days by Rule 12(a)(3).)

## **Proof of Service**

I declare under penalty of perjury that I served the summons and complaint in this case on \_\_\_\_\_, by:

(1) personally delivering a copy of each to the individual at this place, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
; or

(2) leaving a copy of each at the individual's dwelling or usual place of abode with \_\_\_\_\_  
who resides there and is of suitable age and discretion; or

(3) delivering a copy of each to an agent authorized by appointment or by law to receive it whose name is  
\_\_\_\_\_  
; or

(4) returning the summons unexecuted to the court clerk on \_\_\_\_\_; or

(5) other (*specify*) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

My fees are \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for travel and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for services, for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Date:

Server's signature

**Printed name and title**

## Server's address